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From: Kimberly S. Ricketts, Director

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Subject: Request for Surcharge

The Division has received inquiries from movers in light of the increase in gasoline and diesel prices following Hurricane Katrina. As the next tariff increase would normally not take effect until November 1, 2005, movers have requested that, in the interim, they be allowed to charge consumers an additional charge not included in their present tariff to offset the increased cost of fuel.

The Division has seriously considered this request both from the consumer and the industry perspective. Although the Division is not prepared to allow movers to add a fuel surcharge, the Director will accept new tariff filings from movers now and allow the new tariffs to take effect as of October 15, 2005 rather than November 1, 2005.

If you have any questions concerning this issue, please call Marilyn Nelson at 1-973-504-6301.

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